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Regional Administrator
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Dear Madam/Sir:

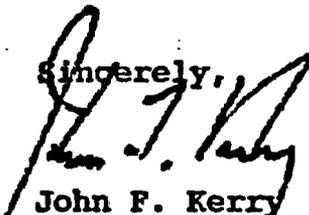
I am in receipt of a letter from The Harvard Medical School, of Boston, regarding the shut down of the American Radiolabeled Chemicals Inc. (ARC) in St. Louis. Apparently, Harvard Medical School believes ARC is a respectable and reliable small business and does not want to see the shut down as a permanent occurrence. ARC has offered attractive prices for their products, therefore, the closing of ARC is of great concern to those involved in biomedical research. The Harvard Medical School hopes the problems involved in the closure of ARC can be quickly resolved.

Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquires and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested.

I would appreciate your looking into this matter and sending me a copy of your findings and views, in duplicate form, to Nancy Lo, Commerce and Business Liaison, in care of my office.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



John F. Kerry
United States Senator

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Senator John F. Kerry
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January 31, 1990

Dear Senator Kerry,

For quite a few years I have obtained radiolabeled reagents for my research from American Radiolabeled Chemicals Inc (ARC), a company in St. Louis. This small, young company has consistently provided high quality reagents and excellent service. Moreover, compared to their much larger competitors, their products are priced very low, permitting biomedical researchers to get "more bang for the buck."

Now I learn that ARC has been shut down by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for what appear to be minor violations. I am a strong supporter of all efforts directed toward keeping our environment clean. My interest is to have these problems resolved quickly, before ARC goes out of business.

I believe that the shutdown of this company is not a local issue. In my letter to the NRC, a copy of which is enclosed here, I note that "ARC is an example of a small, vigorous company that works hard at being good and has really made a difference for its customers. If this company is not allowed to re-open, it will be a loss for research and a loss for this country."

Could I impose on you to look into this matter, to see what can be done to move matters along as soon as possible?

Sincerely,

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